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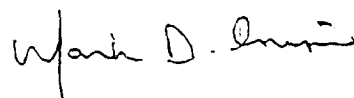
Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing you today to express my opinion in regards to the Microsoft antitrust dispute. I fully support Microsoft in this dispute and feel that this company is being punished for being successful. Microsoft has contributed such a great deal to our society that stifling this company would only have adverse consequences for consumers. I support the settlement that was reached in November and believe that this settlement will serve in the best public interest.

Microsoft has agreed to all provisions of this agreement. Microsoft is willing to grant computer makers broad new rights to configure Windows so as to promote non- Microsoft software programs that compete with programs included within Windows. Microsoft has also agreed to design future versions of Windows to provide a mechanism to make it easy for computer makers, consumers, and software developers to promote non-Microsoft software within Windows.

This settlement is thorough. Continuing litigation against Microsoft will only serve to negatively impact our economy and consumers. Please support this settlement so that this company can devote their resources and time to innovation, rather than litigation. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,



Mark Snipe